

## TO-DAY'S NEWS IN BRIEF.

## LOCAL AND SUBURBAN.

**John Heston.** The alleged accomplice of Albert F. Hummel in the scheme to defraud country produce merchants by use of the mails was arrested by Post Office Inspectors.

**Miss Ella Parker.** 57 years old, wanders from the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mary A. Clark, and is found in the house of an old friend in Edwardsville, Ill.

**Coverer McCracken** of East St. Louis obtains possession of the body of "Sonny" Brooks, a negro, by a writ of replevin, before he holds an inquest.

**Miss Eva Marshall Shontz** will conduct a series of temperance meetings.

The Board of Public Improvements postpones action on the proposed "Fair city" bill, after the measure proposed receives adverse votes from President McMahon and Commissioner Hermann.

**Ed Marshall.** A gambler and confidence man, was fatally shot by S. W. Reddick, a bartender.

**Harrierson.** A driver, narrowly escaped death in a collision with a street car.

**Officer Barney Reagan** makes an arrest on the roof of a four-story building, charging the prisoner with carrying a dangerous weapon.

**Mrs. Mary Sime** of No. 130 North Ninth street is searching for her husband, a former traveling salesman of Pontiac, who went to the gold fields in 1897 and has not been heard from by her since.

The Salvatorian Relief Industry, providing work for the unemployed.

Missouri brewers have declined to accept the compromise offered by the last Legislature for the settlement of back inspection fees and will pay the State about \$250,000.

**William J. Shaw** died suddenly from a stroke of paralysis.

**Mrs. Mary Heston** of East St. Louis has sued her son, Patrick O'Keefe, to recover money she alleges she spent on him while he was sick and helpless.

## GENERAL DOMESTIC.

The tone of the Venezuelan press is distinctly anti-American according to dispatches from Caracas.

The Powers show no inclination to consider the application of the United States for reduction of the indemnity demands of China.

It is understood at Washington that Great Britain is preparing to renew negotiations with the United States in regard to a canal treaty.

President Loubet made a trip to the bottom of the Mediterranean in a submarine boat, and was terribly frightened.

**Mrs. Kuster** of New York was arrested as she was starting out with a friend on a shopping tour, on a warrant sworn out by her husband charging her with insanity.

Her friends are indignant, and she claims her husband has threatened her with the insane asylum.

The Reverend John Keller has received a letter from an unknown woman advising him that she belongs to a Catholic organization of 8,000 members and that she is pledged to pray for his vindication.

Attorney General Knox refuses to discuss his policy in regard to trusts.

German manufacturers under the Carnegie company in its own market and force a reduction of prices.

Lieutenant Governor Woodruff of New York denies all knowledge of the newspaper subsidy bill before its passage by the Legislature.

An Oklahoma man, plaintiff in a suit for damages against a railway company, has asked for, and, by agreement with the road's attorney, obtained a jury composed exclusively of Oklahomans. No appeal will be taken from their decision.

A school building in Illinois had to be closed and students dismissed owing to the presence of vermin. Tramps had used the building as a lodging-house.

A woman flags a freight train and stops it just before it reaches a burned-away bridge.

Rumrunner sales are denounced by a member of the Illinois State Board of Health.

Senator Clark of Montana is said to be engaged to marry a woman stump speaker of South Dakota.

Another lynching in Kentucky is feared, and Governor Beckham has ordered troops to be in readiness to quell the mob.

The dead-end in the Democratic Judicial Convention was broken on the two hundred and sixteenth ballot, and James B. Ricks was unanimously nominated.

The Illinois House and Senate seem inclined to push through the gerrymander bill.

Indiana's Governor may be asked to deliver to Kentucky authorities the fugitive Kentucky Taylor.

Remarkable results have been obtained in a series of tests of the new Kentucky officers and outlaws engage in a fierce battle, and a number of lives are lost.

Wholesale dealers of recently recruited soldiers are reported from Fort Leavenworth.

## WASHINGTON.

The Cabinet seriously discussed the action of Great Britain in placing an embargo on American beef. It is believed to be a retaliatory measure, in view of the fact that a cargo of mules designed for South Africa is being held at New Orleans under the injunction issued by the court.

## SPORTING.

The strife between the professional baseball associations is expected to redound to the benefit of the game on the college campus.

## RAILROADS.

The St. Louis Railway Club held its sixth annual meeting and elected officers.

## DEMOCRATS NAMED JAMES B. RICKS.

**Deadlock in Judicial Convention Broken on Two Hundred and Sixteenth Ballot.**

**NOMINATION WAS UNANIMOUS.**

**Farmer Missed the Plum by Only Thirty Seconds—Defeated Candidates Congratulated the Winner.**

**REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.**

Litchfield, Ill., April 12.—James B. Ricks of Taylorville is nominated by the Democratic Convention for the Second Supreme Judicial District for Justice of the Supreme Court to succeed Jesse J. Phillips at 10:45 Friday morning.

The end came on the two hundred and sixteenth ballot, following a recess of half an hour. The friends of Judge Burroughs joined the delegates as they took the floor. Most of the eastern counties sided with the delegates who took the floor. The friends of Judge Burroughs had all been made known to the delegates. The friends of Judge Burroughs had all been made known to the delegates.

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at once be inaugurated by the Democracy of the district in behalf of the nominee. It is not known what the Republicans will do. John J. Brown, George Turner and John Bingham were the only Republicans in the most of the week, but would not indicate the position of the Republicans. They stated the matter was wholly in the hands of A. H. Jones of Robinson, chairman of their Central Committee.

**James B. Ricks's Career.** James B. Ricks, born December 22, 1852, on a farm in Christian County, Ill., and at 49 years of age is just in his physical and mental prime. He was the oldest child of John B. Ricks, and remained on the farm until he was 12 years old, when his father was elected Sheriff of the county and moved to Taylorville, where the boy grew to be a man and has ever since resided.

His education was obtained in the common schools of Taylorville, with three years at the Illinois Wesleyan University at Bloomington. He was a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, and was a student, and to-day he is recognized as a ripe scholar, a well-informed man of affairs, a lawyer of great ability and safe judgment. The legal practice of Christian County embraces the most important ranges, and for twenty years Mr. Ricks has taken part in nearly every case of prominence tried.

By the bar and the courts he is recognized as a man of high standing in the law, and enjoys the distinction of being one of the best common-law lawyers in the circuit. He has been a member of the Illinois State Bar Association, and is now president of the Board of the Taylorville High School, one of the very best high schools in the State.

He was married in 1872, and two years later took his examination before the Supreme Court at Mount Vernon, when he was continuously in the practice of law.

He is a Democrat, coming from Democratic stock, his grandfather being the first Sheriff of the county and one of the Commissioners who laid out the county. He was a member of the Illinois State Central Committee since 1884, and has been a member of the State, both from his efforts in the interest of the party and by reason of his prominence in the order of the Knights of Pythias, which he was grand chancellor of this State in 1893.

He was Mayor of the city of Taylorville in 1893.

**Taylorville Celebrates.** Taylorville, Ill., April 12.—James B. Ricks and the Christian County delegation arrived here by a band and a band of music, all bent on doing honor to the candidate for the Supreme Court.

An impromptu reception was held in the Armory, which was crowded to the doors. A reception was held in the evening at the Ricks residence, and Mr. Ricks received the congratulations of the entire city, regardless of political affiliations.

Ricks was born in this county and has resided in this city practically all his life.

**PUBLISHES LETTER WRITTEN BY BRYAN.**

**Sixto Lopez, Filipino Insurgent Representative, Gives Out Correspondence.**

Boston, April 12.—Senator Sixto Lopez, the Filipino, who lives here as a representative of the so-called Filipino Government, has made public correspondence he has had with President McKinley.

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## SNOWSLIDES IN COLORADO COSTLY.

**Loosened Avalanches Rushing From Mountain Sides Work Havoc at Several Points.**

**NUMEROUS FATALITIES OCCUR.**

**Three Men Killed and Four Hurt on the Florence and Cripple Creek Railroad While Removing Debris.**

**REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.**

Denver, Colo., April 12.—A huge mass of snow and rock swept down from the mountain near Adelaide, on the Florence and Cripple Creek Railroad, burying a work train and killing three men and seriously injuring four others.

The dead: J. P. ALLEN, foreman; J. M. MALONEY; HOWARD H. HIPPS.

The injured: C. W. BROWN, bridge foreman; FRANK GRAHAM, section foreman; JOHN PALMER, laborer.

Aspen, Colo., April 12.—A serious snowslide reported to have occurred along the Castle Rock stage road, four miles from this city. The stages to and from Ashcroft and Taylor Park have not thus far been able to get through, and communication with these places can only be made by snow shoes.

**SEVERAL LIVES LOST.** Buena Vista, Colo., April 12.—A report has reached here that a huge avalanche, which swept down from the top of the Italian Mountain, in Taylor Park, about forty miles west of this place, and that it lives were lost.

On this mountain several mines have been in operation all winter, employing about 30 men. One to the great distance of the mountain from any point of communication with the outside world, and the vastness of the snowslide, which came here and the mountain, several days may elapse before the facts are learned.

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Lotus; City Treasurer, W. F. Urban; City Attorney, John Pechter; Marshal, G. M. Bennett; Police Magistrate, T. L. Conner; Alderman, Second Ward, Charles J. McGee; Third Ward, John H. Boyer.

**Jerseyville.** The following municipal tickets have been nominated at Jerseyville for the biennial city election, to be held next Tuesday.

Democratic ticket—Mayor, George D. Locke; City Clerk, Albert H. Foster; City Treasurer, Walter E. Carlin; City Attorney, John H. Heston; Police Magistrate, William H. Schroeder; Aldermen, First Ward, Harry S. Daniels; Second Ward (full term), John G. Shaw; Third Ward, Stephen D. Stanley; Fourth Ward, William F. Fahey; Fourth Ward (full term), Peter A. Bowler; to all vacancies, William H. Heston. Republican ticket—Mayor, H. D. Bull; City Clerk, Ed. D. Griggs; City Treasurer, John Keohane; City Attorney, W. Noble; Police Magistrate, James O'Keefe; Aldermen, First Ward, Jacob Wagner; Second Ward (full term), Augustus Chubb; to all vacancies, Paul Nischke; Third Ward, Charles C. York; Fourth Ward (full term), A. L. Conklin; to all vacancies, M. B. Traub.

The following tickets have been nominated for the town of Elsah, to be held Tuesday, April 16, at the Board of Trustees, E. F. Finney; Trustees, Michael Barmel, H. F. Johnson and R. P. Hartley; Village Clerk, C. E. Bates.

Prohibition ticket: President of the Village Board, J. J. Finney; Trustees, W. J. Miller, B. F. Farley, C. A. Wagner.

**Saline County.** Harrisburg, Ill., April 12.—The following additional tickets have been nominated for village offices in Saline County:

Carrier—Mills-Citizens' Temperance; Police, J. C. O'Leary; Trustees, T. N. Davis, Monroe Tanner, W. M. Patterson and H. E. Harris; People's Choice, J. C. O'Leary; Village Clerk, Harry Cain; Trustees, Perry Russell, Albert Harris, Jr.; John W. Spears and James G. Clark.

Religion-Temperance: President, H. L. Burnett; Clerk, T. A. Joyce; Trustees, James G. Clark, Ole D. Clark, G. W. Burkhart; Police Magistrate, E. E. Burkhart. No opposition.

**Germantown.** Carlinville, Ill., April 12.—The candidates for village offices in Germantown are: Gerhard Genshies, President; Louis Phillips, Herman Schleiter and Henry Hoff, Trustees; John Schleiter, Jr., Clerk; Frank W. Genshies, Constable.

**Edwardsville.** Lebanon, Ill., April 12.—The official ballot for the city of Edwardsville, to be voted on Tuesday, April 16, is as follows: Mayor, Fred Amann; City Clerk, W. D. Harris; City Treasurer, Sam McKim; City Attorney, Addis Clark; Police Magistrate, G. E. Stahler; Aldermen, First Ward, J. C. Stahler; Second Ward, Jacob Weber; Third Ward, Jacob Weber; Fourth Ward, J. H. Theuer and J. W. Kennedy.

**NEW SENATORIAL DISTRICT.** L. H. Murray's Name Suggested as Senator.

A group of Southwest Missouri politicians were gathered in the corridor of the Laclede Hotel Friday evening, discussing the situation. Among those present were: W. C. Elliott, E. Benton, Mackay, R. W. Dill, Attorney T. J. Delaney of Springfield and L. H. Murray of the same city.

The question of the new senatorial district, which includes the counties of Green, Dade, Harrison and Vernon, was laid on the table. The district is safely Democratic.

In talking of probable nominees, the name of Mr. Murray was mentioned. He has been one of the wheel-horses of Democracy in the Southwest for years. He served as a member of the Missouri Legislature for 12 years ago. The general impression seemed to be that he could be nominated if he would accept the honor.

**BILL AIMED AT POOLROOMS.** Bucket Shops and Commission Brokers Included in Amendments.

**REPUBLICAN SPECIAL.** St. Louis, Mo., April 12.—Mr. Simpson introduced House bill making it unlawful to run poolrooms and turf exchanges in this State, which was read the first time, and by unanimous consent read the second time.

Mr. Simpson then took up the motion to reconsider the vote by which it passed House. The motion to reconsider failed by a vote of 14 yeas to 23 nays. The bill was then passed.

**Army Orders.** Washington, April 12.—By Army orders were on Friday issued as follows:

Colonel J. C. Schenck, Engineer Corps, will transfer his present duties to Colonel John Barlow and will then proceed to Cincinnati and relieve Captain Harry Hodges, who will proceed to Havana for duty as engineer.

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